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report on the Potsdam-Werder airfield and the Potsdam-Wildpark area which gives information under the following headings: 1. Senior S.A.F. Officer 2. HQ Building, Wildpark 3. Ventilation Shafts in Underground Shelter 4. Ammunition Dump 5. Rail Spur 6. Ground Radio/W.L. 7. Concrete Surface Shelters 8. Unidentified Building.

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POTSDAM/WILDPARK AND POTSDAM/WERDER

POTSDAM/WILDPARK

1. SENIOR S.A.F. OFFICER

One of the most senior Soviet Air Force officers in the POTSDAM area is PODGORN, who lives at AM ZERNSEE 8. Between 1500 and 1530 hrs daily, he is driven by a sergeant in a black saloon car, [redacted] to WILDPARK. The route taken is Am Zernsee - Phöbenerstr - Eisenbahnstr - Potsdamerstr - Berliner Chausee - as far as Strassenmeisterei. Here the car turns down the Dorfstr GELTOW and up the Uferstr to WILDPARK WEST, where it enters the private road to WILDPARK. A saloon car usually follows the general's car.

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2. HQ BUILDING, WILDPARK

The building at UTM 62150608 (62200595) is known as the Headquarters building. It is connected to the large underground shelter both by overhead cable and by the 1.5 ins telecommunications cable buried at 70 cms depth.

- (a) This 1.5 ins thick telecommunications cable firstly comes from POTSDAM/WERDER airfield, thence to the main underground shelter in POTSDAM/WILDPARK. The cable was laid between April and October 1948.

3. VENTILATION SHAFTS IN UNDERGROUND SHELTER

No ventilation shafts have been observed above ground for the shelter at UTM 62350584. The basement of this shelter houses an air conditioning plant and power supply. The air conditioning "points" in the walls of the passages of the shelter resemble small vibrating Venetian blinds.

- (a) The fuel for the air conditioning plant and power supply is stored underground at UTM 62100505.

4. AMMUNITION DUMP

There is an ammunition dump camouflaged as a wood and coal dump at UTM 52590722. The camouflage has been in position for five years so that both coal and wood are now rotting.

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5. RAIL SPUR

A double track rail spur connects the main railway line at UTM 625 50750 to the ammunition store at UTM 62590722. It runs as a single track from the ammunition store to the HQ building with branches from here to the main underground shelter and to the fuel store. Personnel and armament reinforcements for all arms arrive by this track prior to posting to subunits.

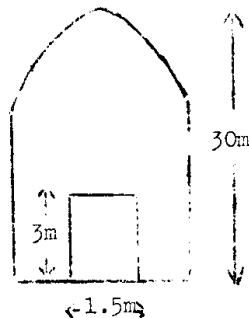
6. GROUND RADIO/W.T.

A W/T station, formerly located at the so-called ELISABETHHÖHE at UTM 58410712, was moved on 12th December 1955 to WILTPARK at UTM 624 10611.

- (a) It consists of 14 lattice masts, each of about 40-50m in height, connected to each other by a single cable aerial. The masts follow a sig-zag pattern from adjacent to four W/T vehicles at UTM 62480625, thence to the underground shelter at UTM 62350584. The W/T vehicles are not connected in any way to the lattice masts.

7. CONCRETE SURFACE SHELTERS

There are four shell-shaped concrete surface shelters (see sketch below) at UTMs 62130619, 62340609, 62210589 and 62490582, [62150525, 62100560, 62200605 and 62500620]. They are approximately 30m high and 2m broad. These shelters are to accommodate troops, and on one occasion in December 1955, four cases of ammunition were taken into one of the shelters.



POTSDAM/WERDER

8. UNIDENTIFIED BUILDING

There is a building at POTSDAM/WERDER, Eisenbahnstr 213, used only by officers and is guarded during the day by single sentries and by double sentries at night. The use of the building is not known.

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